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COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

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Standard & Poor's rating

We attach a press release from Standard & Poor's which advises it had affirmed its 'BB' credit rating on Nufarm and revised the outlook to stable from negative.

Standard & Poor's also affirmed the 'B' issue rating on Nufarm Finance (NZ) Ltd's step-up securities.

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Press Release

Nufarm Ltd. Outlook Revised To Stable From Negative On Improved Performance And Liquidity; Ratings Affirmed

Melbourne, Feb. 29, 2012—Standard & Poor's Ratings Services said today that it had affirmed its 'BB' corporate and issue credit ratings on Australia-based Nufarm Ltd., and revised the outlook to stable from negative. We also affirmed the 'B' issue rating on Nufarm Finance (NZ) Ltd.'s (NSS) step-up securities.

"The outlook revision to stable reflects our view of Nufarm's improved liquidity and performance in year ended July 31, 2011, and our expectation for further enhancement in the company's credit-protection metrics over time. Supporting our expectations are the company's continued disciplined approach to working-capital management and the current reasonable trading outlook," said Standard & Poor's credit analyst Brenda Wardlaw. Nufarm's short-term liquidity pressures have eased since the execution of a three-year secured facility, supporting our revised view of its liquidity to "adequate", from "less than adequate".

The rating on Australia-based Nufarm Ltd., one of the world's top-10 makers of crop-protection products (such as herbicides, insecticides, and fungicides), reflects the company's exposure to cyclical agribusiness sectors, with a strong earnings bias to the second-half of the year. These weaknesses are partially offset by our view of the company's solid position in select global crop-protection markets, geographically-diverse operations, and strategic alliances with key global players.

The stable outlook assumes that Nufarm's appetite for acquisitions will remain modest and focus predominantly on small bolt-on opportunities. We anticipate further strengthening of Nufarm's key credit metrics, including adjusted FFO/debt sustained above 15% and stable debt levels, as the company continues to improve its working-capital efficiency to mitigate its exposure to the volatile agribusiness sector.

Ms. Wardlaw added: "The rating may be lowered if Nufarm adopts a more aggressive growth strategy that results in weaker credit metrics, evidenced by adjusted FFO/debt at less than 15%, or if liquidity deteriorates."

Upward rating potential is limited in the short term, as Nufarm is in the early stages of demonstrating its ability to stabilize its debt at recent lower levels and sustain stronger financial metrics. Important in considering an upgrade would be the company demonstrating consistent working-capital management through tight activity metrics, and a track record of improved margins that shows the company's re-focused business model on more-diverse higher-margin products has been successful.

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